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Anselm; crew, 40; passengers from this port, 3; passengers in transit, 13; pieces baggage disinfected, 4. May 2, steamship *Espana*; crew, 14; passengers from this port, 5; passengers in transit, none; pieces baggage disinfected, 9. May 6, steamship *Bratten*; crew, 15; passengers from this port, none; passengers in transit, none; pieces baggage disinfected, none.

Respectfully,

S. H. BACKUS,

Acting Assistant Surgeon, U. S. M. H. S.

The SURGEON-GENERAL,

U. S. Marine-Hospital Service.

JAPAN.

Report from Yokohama—Plague in Formosa.

YOKOHAMA, JAPAN, *April 22, 1902.*

SIR: I have the honor to transmit herewith abstract of bills of health issued at this port during the week ended April 19, 1902.

The port of Yokohama continues free from quarantinable disease. During the past week there were reported 1 case of enteric fever with 1 death, 5 cases of diphtheria with no deaths, and 1 case of dysentery with no deaths, in this city.

In Japan proper, no quarantinable disease has been reported since the 3d instant, when a death from plague occurred at Nagasaki. In Formosa, plague still prevails to a considerable extent. On that island, from the beginning of the year to April 15, the number of cases totaled 623, and the deaths, 454.

Respectfully,

D. MOORE,

Assistant Surgeon, U. S. M. H. S.

The SURGEON-GENERAL,

U. S. Marine-Hospital Service.

NICARAGUA.

Weekly report of conditions and transactions at Bluefields—Fruit port.

BLUEFIELDS, NICARAGUA, *May 11, 1902.*

SIR: I have the honor to make the following report of the conditions and transactions at this port during the week ended May 11, 1902:

Present officially estimated population, 4,000. Number of cases and deaths from yellow fever during the week, none; number of cases and deaths from smallpox during the week, none; number of cases and deaths from typhus fever during the week, none; number of cases and deaths from cholera during the week, none; number of cases and deaths from plague during the week, none; number of deaths from other causes during the week, 1. Prevailing diseases, none. General sanitary condition of this port and the surrounding country during the week, very good.

Bills of health were issued to the following vessels: May 6, steamship *Banan*, crew, 21; number of passengers from this port, none; number of passengers in transit, none; baggage disinfected, none. May 8, steamship *Utstein*, crew, 16; number of passengers from this port, none; number of passengers in transit, none; baggage disinfected, none. May 11, steamship *Jno. Wilson*, crew, 18; number of

passengers from this port, 7; number of passengers in transit, none; pieces baggage disinfected, 8.

Respectfully,

D. W. GOODMAN,
Acting Assistant Surgeon, U. S. M. H. S.

The SURGEON-GENERAL,
U. S. Marine-Hospital Service.

NEW BRUNSWICK.

Inspection service at St. John.

ST. JOHN, NEW BRUNSWICK, *May 5, 1902.*

SIR: I have the honor to report that during the week ended May 3 the following vessels and their crews were inspected by me at this port: Steamers, 3; schooners, 9; seamen, 227.

Respectfully,

T. DYSON WALKER,
United States Medical Inspector.

The SURGEON-GENERAL,
U. S. Marine-Hospital Service.

ST. JOHN, NEW BRUNSWICK, *May 12, 1902.*

SIR: I have the honor to report that during the week ended May 10, the following vessels and their crews were inspected at this port by me: Steamers, 3; schooners, 10; seamen, 230. Notice has been received that medical inspection will be discontinued at this port after May 10.

Respectfully,

T. DYSON WALKER,
United States Medical Inspector.

The SURGEON-GENERAL,
U. S. Marine-Hospital Service.

PORTO RICO.

Reports from San Juan and subports for April, 1902.

SAN JUAN, P. R., *May 6, 1902.*

SIR: I have the honor to submit herewith a report of the quarantine transactions at this and the several subports of the island for the month of April, 1902, as follows:

San Juan.—Number of vessels inspected, 20; number of bills of health issued, 32; number of vessels held in quarantine, 3; number of vessels disinfected, 1; number of persons detained in quarantine, 1; number of pieces of baggage disinfected, 86; number of packages of mail disinfected, 4; persons vaccinated, 109.

The steamship *Mae*, of the New York and Porto Rico steamship line, arrived at this station upon the night of the 12th instant. She had been remanded here for disinfection, as smallpox was discovered among her crew when a bill of health was applied for at Arecibo, P. R. Disinfection of the vessel was done on the 13th instant as follows: Forecastle, galley-way, cabins, decks, etc., washed down with bichloride of mercury solution; all dunnage and personal effects of crew subjected to steam or formaldehyd, crew bathed and the case of varioloid removed to the quarantine station for treatment. The holds of the vessel which contained a full cargo of sugar and were battened down were not considered infected and were not disinfected. After vaccination of the crew the vessel was released from quarantine, and given a bill of health, with the facts as above noted thereon. She sailed for New York on the 14th